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PENNSYLVANIA BULLETIN NO. PA190-7-6

SUBJECT: ECS – Penn State Agronomic Field Diagnostic Clinic

<u>Purpose:</u> Learn about assisting farmers with agronomics, including nutrient management, cover crops, pest management and potential for biofuel crops.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2007

Deadline to send registration form to your Administrative Coordinator is July 9, 2007

The Pennsylvania State Crop Management Extension Group (CMEG) is sponsoring the Penn State Agronomic Field Diagnostic Clinic on July 24 and repeated on 25, 2007. The clinic will be held at the Agronomy Research Farm in Rock Springs, PA.

District Conservationists, Soil Conservationists, Natural Resources Specialists and Biologists are encouraged to attend.

These one-day field clinics are designed to improve agronomic management skills. Specialists from Penn State and the agricultural community will provide hands-on diagnosis training in crop production, pest management, soil fertility, and soil and water conservation. Participants will be involved in a variety of topics and have ample opportunity to diagnose, solve, and discuss crop management problems and situations, and evaluate new and alternative management strategies. Practical information about interacting factors (nutrients, pests, environmental stress) that affect crop management and are unique to Northeastern agriculture will be discussed.

If you are interested in attending, please obtain approval from your supervisor for attendance and overnight travel if needed. Upon approval, please send your registration form to your Administrative Coordinator no later than July 9, 2007. All travel must be approved by the Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations. Administrative Coordinators shall send all registration forms for their area to reach Deb Eckley, NRCS State Office by July 13, 2007, and the registrations will be submitted and paid by the NRCS State Office.

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Attachment by Email: Agronomic Field Diagnostic Clinic Brochure

The Natural Resources Conservation Service provides leadership in a partnership effort to help people conserve, maintain, and improve our natural resources and environment.